



Crosshall Marina
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Huntingdonshire
PE19 7GE

Minutes for committee meeting held on Saturday 13th May 2017 at 4pm in 'The Riverside Bar'.

Present

Brian & Val Dobson, Bryan & Elena Donaldson, Adam Easton, Karon Cooper, Louise Stothard.

1. Apologies

Malcolm Shepherd
Marcia Shepherd
Chris Hogbourne

2. Minutes of previous meeting

New signage – Bryan is going to get a price for a like for like sign and to go ahead with it if it is around £60-£70 as estimated.

Events update – Brian will circulate financials for previous events to us when he has them.

Discussed that the Boat Club is not a child orientated place, and that perhaps the Easter Egg Hunt aimed at children should be replaced with an event aimed at adults for next year. Attendance was not as hoped for and outlay is high.

Boating hints and tips has run for a few years on the trot now and again perhaps should be dropped for next year and reintroduced the year after that.

Discussed that the films nights are not producing a high level of interest and that they could be deterring people from coming to the club as members would have to be quiet and sit through a film rather than being able to socialise. This will be monitored.

35th Anniversary update – sadly Wayne Swift is unable to perform as he has double booked himself. Brian has asked Wayne to find us an alternative performer and is actively chasing him.

3. Year-end financial update

Brian will circulate this on email to us and also publish on the facebook page

4. Organisation of events

Moorers event 1 20th May - will be a race night and Stuart Turvey and his daughter have kindly accepted Val's request to run the tote.

Fun Day 10th June – it was agreed this event should start in the afternoon at 3pm and run straight through into the evening. This will avoid losing interest and will make the event a little less disjointed. It was agreed to make the event simple and fun and not too structured. It will include the popular dog show, Pimms on the lawn, and some garden games, leading straight into the BBQ at 6pm and our now famous DJ Dobbo signing autographs and of course playing some music too!

Bryan will produce a checklist for things that need doing and we agreed to **meet at 1pm** to get organised.

Val will get the food for the BBQ

Louise is in charge of Pimms 'hic'

Brain to do posters and promote the event making clear what the dog show is and the arrangements for the BBQ.

Boat Handling Comp 17/18 June- Brian has all organised

Moorers Event 2 24th June – Bryan & Adam are team leaders and will organise between them.

RC boats & BBQ 2nd July – Bryan to organise

Away Weekend 15/16th July – Location is (drum roll please) Brampton. Enough space and appears to be members preferred choice.

Moorers Event 3 29th July – carried forward

5. Membership sign up

Difficult to give exact figures and the bank is a month behind so unable to check online subscriptions accurately.

So far signed up (couples)

14 full memberships,

3 associate membership

3 new guest memberships from the leaflets etc.

21 regulars that are yet to pay (or unable to see from bank) but will be joining

6. Bar Rota

Discussed it would be lovely to be open Friday & Saturday nights and appealing for committee members to please volunteer for some dates and also some trusted long term members.

7. A.O.B

As I (Louise) cannot attend the 35th anniversary supper, I have donated the cost of 2 tickets £40 in support of the event. The money can be used towards a raffle prize for an upcoming event.

8. Next meeting

Next meeting Friday 7th July at 7pm.

(Time and date chosen so as not to cut into people's weekends and boating times)